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In re the Application of: **Yoshinori MATSUURA et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1745

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Examiner: **Susy N. Tsang Foster**

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For: **METAL HYDRIDE ALKALINE STORAGE CELL AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF**

Attorney Docket No.: **981032A**

Customer No.: **38834**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

February 26, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2003, please amend the
above-referenced application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.